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3143/FBR (CPA of 2703/FBR)

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Applicant: Nicholas Luke Bennett	x Examiner: Unassigned
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Serial No.: CPA of 09/308,005	x
	x Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Filed: January 2, 2001	x
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For: Gaming Machine	x
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Hon. Commissioner  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination of the merits, please amend the above identified application as follows:

In The Specification

Please delete "utilising" in page3, line 20 and enter the correctly spelled "utilizing" therein.

In The Claims

Please amend claims 1-19 and add claims 28-34 as follows:

[1] 2. (Amended) A gaming machine [having] comprising a display means[,] and a game control means arranged to control images displayed on the display means, the game control means further

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**CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA)  
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This is a request for a ☒ continuation or ☐ divisional application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d), (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 08/921,498, filed on September 2, 1997, entitled Ceramic Structure and Method for Manufacturing the Structure.

**NOTES**

**FILING QUALIFICATIONS:** The prior application identified above must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 C.F.R. 1.51(b) or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371. A Notice will be placed on a patent issuing from a CPA, except for reissues and designs, to the effect that the patent issued on a CPA and is subject to the twenty-year patent term provisions of 35 U.S.C. 154(a)(2). Therefore, the prior application of a CPA may have been filed before, on or after June 8, 1995.

**C-I-P NOT PERMITTED:** A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b).

**EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION:** The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned.

**ACCESS TO PRIOR APPLICATION:** The filing of this CPA will be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant under 35 U.S.C. 122 to the extent that any member of the public who is entitled under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.14 to access to copies of, or information concerning, the prior application may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning the other application or applications in the file jacket.

**35 U.S.C. 120 STATEMENT:** In a CPA, no reference to the prior application is needed in the first sentence of the specification and none should be submitted. If a sentence referencing the prior application is submitted, it will not be entered. A request for a CPA is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. 120 and to every application assigned the application number identified in such request, 37 C.F.R. 1.78(a).

1. ☐ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.
2. ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
3. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 C.F.R. 1.53 (d)(4).
  - a. ☐ **DELETE** the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - b. ☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
4. ☐ A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/SB/81) is enclosed.
5. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed:
  - a. ☐ PTO-1449
  - b. ☐ Copies of IDS Citations

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TOTAL CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. 1.16(c) or (j))		22-20* =	2	2x \$18 =	\$36
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b) or (i))		4-3** =	1	1x \$80 =	\$80
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) 37 C.F.R. 1.16(d))					
				BASIC FEE (37 C.F.R. 1.16)	\$710
				Total of above Calculations =	\$826
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28).					
* Reissue claims in excess of 20 an over original patent.					
**Reissue independent claims over original patent.					
TOTAL FEES CALCULATED BASED ON CLAIMS IN PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT					

6. Small entity status:

- a. ☐ A small entity statement is enclosed, an (b) and (c) do not apply.  
b. ☐ A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.  
c. ☐ Is no longer claimed.

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- a. ☒ Fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.  
b. ☒ Fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.  
c. ☒ Fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.18.

8. ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

9. ☒ New Attorney Docket Number, if desired 3143/FBR

[Prior application Attorney Docket Number will carry over to this CPA unless a new Attorney Docket Number has been provided herein]

10. a. ☐ Receipt For Facsimile Transmitted CPA (PTO/SB/29A)

- b. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (Should be specifically itemized, See MPEP 503)

11. Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:**

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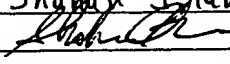
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**13. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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